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GUESS WHO'S BACK

This Nissan Skyline GT-R is undoubtedly one of the most beloved sports cars to come from Japan. The Skyline's combination of power, track prowess and geographic limitations have made it a JDM legend. All that basically means that the Skyline GT-R is still desirable to this day and is demanding good money for low-mileage and unmolested examples.

Apparently, this has caught the eye of Nissan, which is starting to

reproduce the Skyline GT-R's RB26 2.6-liter inline-six engine ... at least, the block, cylinder head and wiring harness. It doesn't look like Nissan is taking the hard work under its wing, and you'll have to assemble the new parts on your own, but the new supply of blocks could benefit GT-R owners and importers here in the States.

Nissan's performance arm, NISMO, is also reproducing the exhaust muffler assembly for the 1989-1994 Skyline GT-R -- often referred to by its chassis number, R32. Prices for all of these parts and more can be found on the NISMO website, but we'll do the conversion math to save you some time.

The muffler assembly is listed for 250K yen, which translates to about \$2,248 -- not an awful price.

The RB26 engine blocks list for 170K yen, or \$1,528. The cylinder head is slightly more expensive than the block and comes in at 187K yen. That means a new cylinder head for your RB26 will set you back \$1,681. Nissan is making parts for the later generations of GT-R, but we're still a few years away from seeing those en masse on U.S. roads.

OK, this all sounds great: But there is a catch. Getting these parts is as easy as heading to a Nissan dealer and placing an order, as long as you live in Japan. For True GT-R fans, this will be a small hurdle to get important parts in the States.

